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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

I am writing to check on the status of my patent application. I have called several times and no one seems to be able to tell me the current status. I did get notice back in March of this year that my application had been published.

Patent Application information:

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It has currently been over 2 years since the filing date. I would like to know a status of the stage the application is in and approximately the remaining time before I hear something on the issue status of the application. My application is for a simple mechanical utility patent.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

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